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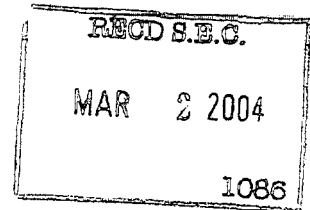


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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HOLLINGER INTERNATIONAL INC., Rights to Purchase Series Z Preferred Stock and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on March 2, 2004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature, which appears to read 'David L. Allen', is written below the word 'Sincerely,'.